CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

Amendments to the claims appear beginning on the following page. Included in these are amendments to claims 1, 5, 7, and 8 and the canceling of claims 2 and 13, thereby leaving claims 1, 5, and 7-10 as remaining in the case.

CLAIMS:

- 1. (currently amended): A portable venting commode,
 comprising:
 - (a) a portable frame structure;
 - (b) a toilet seat attached to said portable frame structure; and
 - (c) means for venting vapors to a distal location that is disposed outside of a room where said portable frame structure is disposed and wherein said means for venting includes a <u>flexible</u> hose, and wherein a first end of said <u>flexible</u> hose is attached to said portable frame structure and wherein an opposite second end of said <u>flexible</u> hose is adapted to exhaust said vapors to said distal location that is disposed outside of the room where the portable frame structure is disposed; and wherein

said means for venting vapors to a distal location includes a said flexible hose and a fan that is powered

by a DC motor and wherein said fan is attached to said second end of said <u>flexible</u> hose and wherein said fan is adapted to generate a negative pressure in at least a portion of said flexible hose that is disposed intermediate said portable frame structure and said fan and wherein a discharge side of said fan includes means for venting said vapors to a location that is outside of the room in which said portable frame structure is disposed; and

wherein said portable frame structure is adapted for placement over a conventional fixed-mount flush-type of toilet; and

including a second fan that is powered by a DC motor and wherein said second fan is attached to said portable frame structure.

- 2 (canceled):
- 3. (canceled)

4. (canceled)

5. (currently amended): The portable venting commode of claim 1 wherein said flexible hose includes means for generating a positive pressure in at least a portion of said flexible hose that is disposed intermediate said fan and said portable frame structure.

6. (canceled)

- 7. (currently amended): The portable venting commode of claim 1 wherein said toilet seat includes an opening therein, wherein said opening is adapted for cooperating with said means for urging venting vapors.
- 8. (currently amended): The portable venting commode of claim $\frac{2}{2}$ including a chute attached to said toilet seat.
- 9. (original): The portable venting commode of claim 8 wherein said chute includes an opening at a distal end with

respect to an end where said chute is attached to said toilet seat, and wherein said chute is adapted to discharge human waste matter into said flush-type of toilet, and wherein said chute includes a portion thereof that is cylindrical in shape.

- 10. (original): The portable venting commode of claim 8 wherein said chute includes an opening at a distal end with respect to an end where said chute is attached to said toilet seat, and wherein said chute is adapted to discharge human waste matter into said flush-type of toilet, and wherein said chute includes a portion thereof that is conical in shape.
- 13. (canceled)
- 14. (canceled)

REMARKS